മിസ്റ്റർ ഏ. മാധവപ്രഭ: ചില കംപ്ലയിൻറ്സ് ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ട്.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. കുമാരനെഴുത്തച്ഛൻ: പാവപ്പെട്ടവർക്കാരെങ്കിലും മറ്റ് ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരോ നികുതി പിരിച്ചു രസീതു കൊടുക്കാതെ കണക്കിൽ ബാക്കി വെക്കാവുള്ളതായി ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെണ്ടിലേക്ക് ധരിക്കുവാനിടയായിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ഏ. മാധവപ്രഭ: റിക്കാട്ട്പ്രകാരം അങ്ങിനെ കണ്ടിട്ടില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. കുമാരനെഴുത്തച്ഛൻ: പണം കൊടുത്തിട്ടും രസീതു കൊടുക്കാതെ കണക്കിൽ ബാക്കിക്കാരനായി വെച്ചുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നതായ വല്ല ആക്ഷേപങ്ങളും ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ഏ. മാധവപ്രഭ: അതുകൂടി പറയാവുണ്ടെന്നല്ലാതെ റിക്കാട്ടിൽ ഉള്ളതായി ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിൻറെ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽ പെട്ടിട്ടില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. എസ്. മണി: ഇതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു വല്ല ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരേയും ശിക്ഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ഏ. മാധവപ്രഭ: ഏതിനെസംബന്ധിച്ചാണ ചോദിക്കുന്നത്?

മസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. എസ്. മണി: പണംവാങ്ങി കൌണ്ടർഫയൽ മറൊരുവിധത്തിൽ എഴുതിവരാറുണ്ട്.

മിസ്റ്റർ ഏ. മാധവപ്രഭ: അങ്ങിനെ ചെയ്യുവരുന്നതായി ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിൻറെ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽ പെട്ടിട്ടില്ല.

UNDERMILLED RICE

162. Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural)* : Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what was the object of the Notification that only 25 per cent of the bran should be removed from the paddy when husked;

(*b*) is not the rice generally used in the State boiled (not raw) rice;

(*c*) have not the Government known that in the boiled rice major portion of the vitamin contents of bran is retained;

(*d*) what is the method by which 25 per cent alone of the bran can be removed;

(*e*) has the method been successful;

(*f*) have the Government known that the rice now available in shops contain "not wholly husked paddy" in good quality;

(*g*) do the Government know that in trying to remove the whole husk of the paddy from the purchased rice about one-eighth of the quantity goes off as husk and bran;

(*h*) is not the breeding of cattle a part of the "Grow more food Campaign";

(*i*) have not the Government deprived the cattle of its nourishing food grain by the Notification?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies)*:

(*a*) To enhance the nutritive value of rice and increase the stock.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Boiled rice contains less bran and consequently less vitamin than undermilled rice.

(*d*) By undermilling.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) No.

(*g*) No.

(*h*) Yes, to some extent.

(*i*) No.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural)*: What is the percentage of increase in the stock expected by undermilling?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies)* : I cannot say off hand.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)* : I think it is 25 per cent.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)* : Is the increase in weight or measure?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies)* : In measure, generally.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural)*: Has not the scientists said that the vitamin contents of the grain will be absorbed by the kernel if it is boiled rice?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies)* : I cannot answer the question now. I may say that when rice is boiled the vitamin contents in the paddy, a major portion of it, enters into the kernal also.

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Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* What is the method by which 25 per cent alone can be removed.

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):* That is only for a rough guidance.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Then is it left to the sweet will and pleasure of the officer to prosecute or not prosecute the offender.

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):* As far as possible we try to see that the milling conforms to the rules.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* In the undermilled rice do not particles of husk remain sticking to the rice?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):* Yes. To some extent it is inevitable.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Do Government expect people to eat rice with the husk ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):* Certainly not.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Have not the people to mill it again ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):* If they have to remove the husk.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Then the rice will be lesser so much ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Comissioner of Civil Supplies):* It is inevitable.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Do Government know that after the rice is taken how it is husked again ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Comissioner of Civil Supplies):* I have no information.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Do Government know that a good quantity of bran is left with the rice after husking.

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Comissioner of Civil Supplies);* A major portion of the bran will be left.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Do the not the cattle suffer on account of the scarcity of bran ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Comissioner of Civil Supplies):* Human needs are more important.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Human beings depend upon cattle.

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Comissioner of Civil Supplies):* They have got other kinds of fodder also.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* There are no grazing grounds of the Government anywhere now. Bran and cotton seeds are the main food of the cattle. The price of cotton seeds has gone up. Bran we do not get. How is it possible to feed the cattle. How can we cultivate the lands. How can we get milk ?

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* With reference to sub-division (c) it is said "Boiled rice contains less bran and consequently less vitamin than undermilled rice". Is it a fact that the process of undermilling does not involve boiling.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* The more correct answer will be "Milled rice contains less bran and therefore less vitamin".

ISSUING OF PERMITS FOR SUGAR

163. Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether slips used to be issued by the Government to enable purchasers to get sugar from merchants ;

(*b*) whether such slips have been issued to private individuals ;

(*c*) whether the slips referred to in clause (*a*) have been issued for one bag of sugar or more to any private individual ; and if so,

(*d*) will Government be pleased to state the number of individuals to whom slips for one or more bags of sugar have been issued ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):* (*a*) No.

In view of the answer to question (*a*) answers to the other questions do not arise.

PURCHASE OF PADDY FROM AGRICULTURISTS—EXPENSES FOR CULTIVATION

164. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Will Government be pleased to state whether the Government, in purchasing paddy from the agriculturists in the State, are allowing sufficient quantity of paddy with the producers for cultivation expenses including wages usually paid in kind to the agriculturists' labourers ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):* Yes.

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